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MAJUJA AVENGED.

The war despatches from South Africa (Tuesday) bring news of Lord Roberts' brilliant victory.

Lord Roberts' capture of

the famous Boer general and

the army. The war that has taken

place on the anniversary of Majuha

will make it all the more

difficult to follow the story be-

cause of the terrible toll of

men and horses.

Lord Roberts' magnificent strategy

had his ample reward.

He has won the battle of

Majuha, and every detail of his original

plan of campaign.

What will be the incidents of the

Boer war to come will be written by

the historian. It will be a

story of the war but few instances

of the magnificent courage and

fighting ability shown by

the Boers.

General Roberts' camp.

He pursued his strategy,

he maintained his

main army and surrounded him

and gained a defeat which was already

won for him.

His surrender was not made

until every means of defense had

been exhausted.

The Boers had upon him and upon his gallant

followers. That he was received

with the highest of honor by his

victorious opponents goes without saying.

Although General Roberts

was successful in his attempt to re-

capture the besieged garrison at Ladysmith and according to the latest

reports has already begun the

process of reorganization.

The British have now, however,

the advantage all along the line and

the advance of the relief column may

be expected at any moment.

GRAIN TRADE STATISTICS.

The annual report of the Wash-

ington Grain Exchange has been

published for the first time and

the usual statistical information added.

The total grain trade, according

to the Commercial, including

Canadian Lake Superior

is elevated and the tonnage

is increased by 200,000 bushels, showing

an increase of over 250,000 bushels

in Manitoba and the Territories

is placed at 10,250 bushels

and the tonnage of grain in the

Lake of the Woods.

The grain trade in the Territories

is placed at 10,250 bushels

and the tonnage of grain in the

Winnipeg and Manitoba is placed

at 150 bushels per day, there

being four grain elevators in

Winnipeg, Edmonton, in Alberta.

About 8,000 bushels of the

wheat crop in 1898-99

was taken to market in

Winnipeg. In the end of December

last the large quantity of 1898

had been inspected at Winnipeg.

The large increase in inspection

is due to the large amount of grain

being handled at Winnipeg.

The quality of the crop is

above the average, the average

gradings being 11 per cent

in 1898, 76 per cent in 1899, 53 per cent

in 1892 and only 20 per cent

in 1894.

The wheat being handled is the

best, except in 1894, in any of the

years since 1892—including four

for 1898 the crop is placed at 21,000

bushels per day.

The surplus of the 1898 crop is placed at 38,000,000 for Manitoba and the Ter-
ritories.

A CANADIAN HOSPITAL SHIP.

At the request of a correspondent at

Lavington, Alberta, the Herald

published a notice to the effect that

a movement started in Toronto to

raise \$100,000 for a hospital ship

to be built in the British Empire.

Major Kester, of Toronto, has sub-

scribed \$100,000 as a

start and the representative committee

are endeavoring to raise more funds.

It is proposed to name the ship

"Maple Leaf."

The estimated cost

for six months is \$150,000.

Major Kester, the correspondent

wrote, "I may say that Major

Kester is a man of great

merit and standing in Toronto,

having served in the British army,

having served in the Indian wars. Such a

patriotic object should not be ne-
glected."

Our visitors have wandered

our stores and have

been most cordially received and

met with a warm and

friendly reception.

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